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1. FOLLOWING PRELIMINARY COMMENTS KEYED TO AGENDA FOR OCTOBER 22-23 TC AS OUTLINED PARA 3 OF REF A.

(A) IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS IN TRADE POLICY. WE ARE WILLING TO HAVE AN INFORMAL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON TRADE POLICY ISSUES. HOWEVER, WE WOULD NOT WANT THE TRADE COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE ORGANIZATION, PROCEDURES, OR WORK OF THE GATT TRADE NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE, WHICH CAN BEST BE HANDLED IN GENEVA. THE U.S. REPRESENTATIVE WILL BE PREPARED TO REPORT ON THE STATUS OF THE TRADE BILL.

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(B) MULTILATERAL SAFEGUARD SYSTEM AND SECTORAL ADJUSTMENT.
OUR BASIC POSITION ON SAFEGUARDS CONTINUES TO BE AS
OUTLINED BY EBERLE AND RENNER AT JULY XCSS AND MAY TC
MEETING. PLEASE CABLE KEY DOCUMENTS SOONEST.

(C) REPORTS OF TCWP CONSULTATIONS ON U.S. EXPORT CONTROLS
(SEPT. 25-26) AND AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE MEETING (SEPT. 27-
28). OUR POSITION IS ESSENTIALLY THAT WHICH WAS PRESENTED
BY USDELS AT TCWP CONSULTATIONS AND AG COMMITTEE
MEETING (REFS B, C AND D). AS WE STATED IN THOSE

MEETINGS, WE BELIEVE DISCUSSION SHOULD NOT RELATE SOLELY
TO U.S. EXPORT CONTROLS BUT SHOULD TREAT PRACTICES OF
ALL OECD COUNTRIES. WE ARE WILLING TO EXAMINE WAYS OF
PROMOTING INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION.

(D) EXPORT CREDITS TO PLANNED ECONOMIES . OUR VIEW IS
THAT SUBJECT SHOULD BE GIVEN LOWER PRIORITY THAN
OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA. FYI: U.S. POSITION CURRENTLY
UNDER REVIEW. POSSIBLE PRESENTATION UNDER CONSIDERATION.
END FYI.

(E) TRADE RELATIONS WITH DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. WE CAN
AGREE TO EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON RECENT UNCTAD RELATED
MEETINGS AND WOULD NOT OBJECT TO SUBSUMING THIS ITEM
UNDER ITEM (A) AS SUGGESTED BY THE JAPANESE.

(F) (I) WORK IN PROGRESS. GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT. SEE
SEPARATE TELEGRAM.

(II) IMPACT OF INTERNAL POLICIES ON INTERNATIONAL
TRADE. WE EXPECT TO COMMENT ON SECRETARIAT'S PAPER AND
HOPE OTHER DELEGATIONS WILL ALSO.
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